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Dear Examiner Kazimi:

Attached are the claims for discussion. Basically, Claim 2 has been incorporated into Claim 1 and Claim 9 has been incorporated into Claim 8. Support for these claims can be found at, among other places, page 2, lines 13-15 of the subject application. The cited reference does not disclose such a combination as recited in proposed independent Claims 1 and 8.

I look forward to discussing these with you on June 29, 2004 at 11:30 am.

Thanks, George Chaclas

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PROPOSED CLAIMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. (currently amended) A signal processing unit for a digital TV system, comprising:
 - a first device which acts on a video signal with graphical picture elements and text characters to produce a first device output video signal;
 - a second device which converts a frame rate of the first device output video signal to produce an increased frame rate video signal;
 - a picture storage device connected to the first and second devices for storing picture data; and
 - a driver stage which drives a display responsive to the increased frame rate video signal.

Claim 2. (canceled)

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8. (currently amended) A method for processing a digital TV system signal, comprising:

acting by a first device on an input video signal with graphical picture elements and text characters to produce a processed video signal;

increasing by a second device the frame rate of the processed video signal to produce an increased frame rate video signal;

storing pictures in a common storage device during the acting step and the increasing step; and

driving a display responsive to the increased frame rate video signal.

Claim 9. (canceled)